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VOTE BY MAIL

South Weber City will be using all Vote By Mail (VBM) for the general municipal election. Ballots will be delivered by October 12, 2021, and must be postmarked no later than November 1, 2021, for votes to be counted. Simply complete the ballot, sign the affidavit on the envelope, and drop the envelope in the mail.

Registered voters may also drop off their completed ballot at the outdoor ballot drop off available 24 hours at the Family Activity Center. Ballots must be turned in no later than Tuesday, November 2, at 8:00 p.m.

POLLING CENTER

A Polling Center located at the Family Activity Center (1181 East Lester Dr) will be open on election day. Registered voters may drop off their ballot or surrender their ballot and vote in person between 7:00am and 8:00pm on election day.

REGISTER TO VOTE

The Voter Registration deadline is 11 days before each election. All voter registration forms must be received by the County Clerk no later than 5:00 pm on October 22, 2021.

Residents who are not registered to vote may register in one of the following ways:

1. Mail a registration form to the County Clerk's Office
2. Register in person at the County Clerk's Office
3. Register to vote online at vote.utah.gov

For more information about voter registration, visit vote.utah.gov

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VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

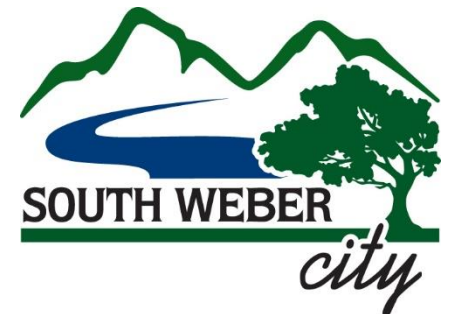
NOVEMBER 2, 2021
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

**OPEN FOR IMPORTANT
INFORMATION REGARDING
THE PROPOSED**

**RECREATION, ARTS, &
PARKS (RAP) TAX**

PROPOSITION #14

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PROPOSITION #14 RECREATION, ARTS, AND PARKS (RAP) TAX

SAMPLE BALLOT

SHALL THE CITY OF SOUTH WEBER, UTAH, BE AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE 0.1% SALES AND USE TAX TO FUND RECREATION, ARTS, AND PARKS FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS?

YES

NO

South Weber City has developed a parks priorities projects list with help from the Parks & Recreation Committee. Projects on the list estimate to total over \$2 million. The City Council would determine final order of priority, but funds received from a RAP tax would go toward projects on the list, some of which are:

Cherry Farms - new ball field, replace playground equipment and surface

Central - restrooms, replace bowery

Cedar Loop - new playground

Cedar Cove - replace asphalt walking path

Canyon Meadows - walking path, pavilion, basketball court

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THE RAP TAX

ARGUMENTS FOR THE RAP TAX

- 100% of the RAP funds are devoted to projects that benefit South Weber City parks and recreation programs
- Salt Lake and Weber Counties, and most of Davis County Cities currently benefit from a RAP tax. Implementing a RAP tax in South Weber City would allow our community to likewise benefit from outside patrons, as well as our own residents, who frequent South Weber businesses.
- RAP funds are used for recreational projects such as public parks improvements, playgrounds, athletic fields, gymnasiums, trail systems, or other facilities used for recreational purposes.
- RAP funds could be used to replenish deficits identified in South Weber City's Parks Priority list which includes the following: replacing playground equipment, restrooms, walking paths, and pavilions.
- The RAP fund is a dedicated funding source that, if approved, will allow general funds of the City to be reallocated for critical infrastructure needs such as capital improvements, law enforcement, snow removal, etc.

South Weber Mayor and City Council

ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE RAP TAX

No arguments against the RAP tax were submitted.

The arguments for or against a ballot proposition are the opinions of the authors.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a RAP tax?

A RAP tax is a 1/10th of 1% sales tax. A City may implement a RAP tax only if approved by voters. It is not a property tax and is not permanent. On a qualifying \$10 purchase it would be 1 penny, \$100 purchase would be 10 cents, and a \$1,000 purchase would be \$1.

What could the RAP tax funds be used for?

State law allows for the RAP tax to fund a broad range of cultural and recreational programs and facilities. The City has a list of priority parks and recreation projects in need of funding, such as park restrooms and baseball fields. The goal of the City is to use the funding for needed projects and programs that will benefit South Weber City citizens.

Who decides what projects to fund with the proceeds of the RAP tax?

The City Council makes the final decisions on which projects to fund. Potential projects will be considered annually as part of the City's regular budget process, which includes the opportunity for public review and comment.

How much funding is expected and how long will it be available?

A RAP tax will generate approximately \$60,000 per year based on current sales tax projections. After 10 years, the RAP tax may be re-submitted to voters to decide on another 10-year term.

Who pays the tax?

Anyone who makes a qualifying point-of-sale purchase in South Weber City would pay the tax, regardless of their place of residency. This is true for our residents when visiting other cities that have implemented a RAP tax.

What other cities and counties have a RAP tax?

Davis County cities Bountiful, West Bountiful, North Salt Lake, Woods Cross, Centerville, Farmington, Clearfield, and Syracuse all benefit from a RAP tax. Salt Lake & Weber Counties have also enacted a RAP tax for all cities within their jurisdictions. Many additional counties and cities around the state also benefit from RAP funds. South Weber residents pay this tax in other cities, but other cities' residents do not pay this tax when in South Weber.

RAP TAX PUBLIC HEARING

What: The South Weber City Council will be holding a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed RAP tax.

When: October 12, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Where: 1600 East South Weber Drive